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Eric Farnsworth is a passionate believer in the strategic importance of the Western Hemisphere. Throughout his career he has helped develop, shape, and interpret US policy across the full range of relevant issues. He is a frequent conference speaker and public commentator, consults widely with senior government and private sector representatives, and has directly advanced the policy agenda by offering Congressional testimony numerous times and publishing often in leading journals and media.

Mr. Farnsworth heads the Washington office of the Americas Society/Council of the Americas, for almost 60 years the premier US institution focused on the region. He is a strong proponent for regional democracy and plays a leading role across a range of issues including trade, investment, and economic relations, energy, healthcare including pandemic relief, and Asia/LAC relations, among others. He is a long-standing, early observer of China's hemispheric engagement and implications for regional development, democracy, and US interests.

In government, he served at the White House, the Office of the US Trade Representative, and the Department of State, working on post-conflict reconstruction in Panama and Central America, NAFTA and related negotiations, and hemispheric policy development, coordination, and implementation during the Clinton Administration. He also served at the US Consulate in Johannesburg, South Africa. He was awarded the Superior Honor Award three times.

Prior to his current position, Mr. Farnsworth was managing director of ManattJones Global Strategies, a Washington and Los Angeles-based advisory and strategic consulting group. He also worked in global public policy at Bristol-Myers Squibb, and, before that, with US Senator Sam Nunn (D-GA) and Congressman John Edward Porter (R-IL). He earned an MPA in International Relations from Princeton and a BA (honors) from Ball State with majors in economics, history, and political science.

Eric Farnsworth is a Truman Scholar, an alumnus of the Leadership America, NATO Alliance, and US-Spain leadership programs, and an invited participant on programs with numerous policy organizations. He has also served as president of the Western Hemisphere Committee of the Greater Washington Board of Trade, a member of the Secretary of State's Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy, and a board member of Princeton in Latin America (PiLA). In 2016 he was decorated by the King and Ambassador of Spain for his work to promote bilateral and regional relations. In 2021, he was made an Academic Correspondent by the Uruguayan Academia Nacional de Economia. In 2022 he was decorated both by the Government of Chile and the Government of Colombia with highest honors.